6. Jaunpur
7. Pauri Garhwal
8. Sultanpur
9. Tehri Garhwal
10. Uttar Kashi
11. Kanpur Dehat.

Industrial growth

2180. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of industrial growth in the country during the first quarter of 1985 and the corresponding progress for each quarter in the years 1983 and 1984;

(b) the sector-wise breakup of industrial growth during the first quarter of 1985; and

(c) the target of industrial growth in the country likely to be achieved during the Seventh Five Year Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) The rates of industrial growth during the first quarter of 1985 as also during each of the quarters of 1983 and 1984 over the corresponding quarters of previous year are as follows:

Quarter	1983	1984	1985
First .	(+)4.1	(+)7.6	(+)4.8
Second .	(+)3.5	(+)6.1	
Third .	(+)4.9	(+)8.4	
Fourth .	(+)5.5	(+)3.9	

(b) The sector-wise breakup of industrial growth rates during the first quarter of 1985 is as follows:

Sector	Percentage growth
Mining & quarrying . .	(+) 3.8
Manufacturing . . .	(+) 3.6
Electricity	(+) 7.7
Overall	(+) 4.8

(c) The Seventh Five Year Plan envisages an annual average growth rate of 7 per cent for the industrial sector.

Parveen Gas Service, Bhiwani

2181. SHRI SUSHIL CHAND MOHUNTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M/s. Parveen Gas Service an agency of Bharat Petroleum, has recently been opened at Bhiwani in Haryana;

(b) if so, how many persons have been registered with the Agency and by when it would be possible to release the gas connections to them;

(c) whether it is also a fact that an advertisement has been published in the newspaper 'Dainik Tribune' (Hindi) of the 29th June, 1985 regarding allotment of gas connections through lottery system and not according to seniority, if so, by whom;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the agency registered the names of those who sent the requests by Registered post and do not register the names of persons who went there personally;

(e) if so, whether Government have changed the procedure for giving new gas connections; if not, what action Government propose to take against the said agency; and

(f) by when the first lot of gas connections is likely to be allotted to the agency?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 9162 persons have been registered by them. The release of connections will start by end of this month.

(c) and (d) An advertisement was published on the 29th June, 1985, by the Corporation laying down the procedure for application and conditions of eligibility, wherein it was specified that all applications should be sent by